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## IRON AND STEEL WORKERS SET NEW RECORDS

NEW SMELTING RECORD SET IN DONBASS -- Komsomol'skaya Pravde, No 148, 25 Jun 49

A worker in open-hearth furnace shop No 1 of the Dnepropetrovsk Plant imeni Petrovskiy set a new record by completing a high-speed melt in 4 hours 30 minutes. He obtained 10.84 tons of steel per square meter of furnace sole.

Izvestiya, No 158, 7 Jul 49

The two greatest metallurgical plants in the Donbass, the Makeyevka and Stalino plants, have undertaken new pledges in marking the 15th anniversary of their socialist competition. The Stalino Plant has pledged to attain an output of 5.28 tens per square meter of sole from its open-hearth furnaces, a 0.98 coefficient of utilization of its blest furnaces, and to release 11 million rubles by accelerating the turnover of working capital.

The Makeyevka Plant has pledged to increase gross production by 14 percent over 1948 and to attain an output of 5.8 tons per square meter of sole in the first open-hearth furnace shop and 5.3 tons in the second shop. It expects to attain a 0.83 coefficient of utilization of its blast furnaces.

URAL MILL SETS RECORD -- Trud, No 152, 30 Jun 49

Workers in the sheet-rolling will shop of the Nightly Tagi Metallurgical Plant rolled 1,570 sheets yesterday and 1,620 cheens day before yesterday, thus setting new production records for 6-hour work days. The mill operators have completed their 6-month plan and have attained a production rate significantly higher than the average daily norms set for 1950.

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PLANT PRODUCES HIGH-GRADE IRON -- Zarya Vostoka, No 129, 3 Jul 49

The Metallurgical Plant in Rustavi has mastered the production of high-grade modified cast iron which approaches steel in durability. It is able to absorb vibration and withstand strong blows. The cast iron will be used for 6-ton lining plates for open-hearth furnaces and for connecting the heavy-gauge pipe used for the Bulachaurskiy water pipe line.

SHEET-ROLLING MILL INSTALLED -- Pravda Vostoka, No 120, 19 Jun 49

A sheet-rolling mill has been installed at the Begovat Metallurgical Plant. It has begun to roll roofing tin and high-quality thin sheet steel.

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